

ASPIRA, INC. OF NEW JERSEY
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
JANUARY 18, 1993

M I N U T E S

390 Broad Street
Newark, NJ 07104

ASPIRA, Inc. of NJ
Board Room

PRESENT: Margaret Rosario-Rivera, Chairperson, Presiding
Gene Calderon, Sam Delgado, Walter Oliveras,
~~George~~ ~~Jose~~ Santiago, Delia Sosa, Alberto Torres,
Noemi Velazquez

STAFF: Fernando Fuentes, Executive Director

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm

II. CHAIR REPORT - Margaret Rosario-Rivera

Margaret Rosario-Rivera introduced the board members present at the meeting to Fernando Fuentes who started on January 11, 1993 and was attending his first board meeting as Executive Director. Mr. Fuentes gave the board a biographical sketch.

III. CONGRESSO BORICUA REPORT - Gene Calderon

Mr. Calderon reported that the next meeting of the Congresso will be held on January 26, 1993 at which time elections will be held and an educational coalition formed. There was some discussion concerning the coalition and whether or not ASPIRA should chair it. It was agreed that ASPIRA should not chair it at this time.

IV. MINORITY MALES CONFERENCE - Richard Ramirez

A conference, co-sponsored by Congresso Boricua, will be held in September or October. Elvin Crespo will be the chair of the board committee for the conference. Staff was asked to explore possible funding sources. A suggestion was made to hold the conference at Trenton State College. Staff will look into this possibility.

There was a general discussion on exploring external college programs, health outreach/outpatient clinic and other community-based organizations as potential tenants for the first floor of 390 Broad Street.

Dennis Alvarado should follow-up on the status of capital campaign

pledges requested from pharmaceutical companies.

V. ANNUAL LUNCHEON REPORT - Sam Delgado

PSE&G will not be co-sponsoring the luncheon this year. Prudential will be approached again this year. Dennis Alvarado will assist us with our approach to Pru.

Staff was asked to follow-up on whether Antonia Pantoja will be the guest speaker this year. If Ms. Pantoja cannot we should ask Hilda Hildago to speak.

VI. STUDENT REPORT - Alberto Torres

Alberto Torres, the student representative to the board, reported that due to construction at Central High School classes are being moved around. There have been three ASPIRA club meetings at Central so far this year.

Ms. Rosario-Rivera asked board members to submit resumes and applications of prospective new members to her.

An invoice must be sent to Blue Cross/Blue Shield for Carlos Alma's \$125.00 board membership dues.

V. ADJOURNMENT

Carlos Alma moved and George Santiago seconded the motion to adjourn. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 pm.